(i) Contribution of Government of India of Rs 400 crore may be treated as Tier I capital.

(ii) IDBI's contribution of Rs. 200 crore may be treated as Hybrid Debt Capital under Tier II Capital.

New guidelines for registration of companies

645. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to issue new guidelines for registration of companies;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether a large number of companies in the country have duped investors to the tune of crores of rupees; and

(d) if so, the extent to which the new guidelines are going to protect the interest of investors?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH): (a) No such proposal is under consideration at present.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) Some companies which came up with public issues since 1991-92 have disappeared from market resulting in loss to investors. Arising out of complaints against these companies, inspections were carried out. Steps have been taken to prosecute companies and/or their directors. The prosecutions were for inducing the public to invest with false promises and for making mis-statements in offer documents. These cases are non-compoundable and involve fine and imprisonment.

Redemption Pressure in UTI

646. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM: Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether UTI has borrowed a huge amount from financial institutions and banks to meet its payment obligation recently;

(b) if so, the details of the borrowings and the name of lending institutions;

(c) Whether UTI is facing acute redemption pressure these days; and

(d) if so, the details of the possible pay out?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ANANT GANGARAM GEETE): (a) and (b) UTI has intimated that it has borrowed from banks to meet liquidity requirements, the details of which are as under:

Bank borrowings by UTI as on 30th June, 2002

(Rs. crs.)

Name of Bank	Amount Utilised
State Bank of India	1000
Union Bank of India	300
Syndicate Bank	300
Bank of Baroda	300
Corporation Bank	525
Consortium of 11 Banks led by SBI	700
TOTAL:	3125

(c) and (d) According to UTI, there is no redemption pressure in the current accounting year beginning July, 2002, since no scheme matured during the said period. Repurchases under all schemes, since July 1, 2002 to July 18, 2002 aggregated to Rs. 318 crore only.

Sharing of Service Tax with State Governments

647. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that several committees and commissions have recommended that no distinction should be made between goods and services for the purpose of taxation;

(b) whether it is a fact that State Governments have been urging the Central Government to amend the Constitution to enable the State Governments to impose tax on services;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and what is Government's reaction thereto; and

(d) whether there is any proposal to share service tax with the State Governments pending amendment to the Commission?